Food Insecurity Held Steady for All Households but Increased for Households with Children

Percentage of households that lacked access to adequate food at some point in the year

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<td>Households with Children Under 18</td>
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Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture Economic Research Service
Food Insecurity by Race and Ethnicity Reveals Stark Disparities

Percentage of households that lacked access to adequate food at some point in the year, by race and ethnicity, 2001-2020

- Black, non-Hispanic
- Hispanic
- White, non-Hispanic
- All

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Change in SNAP Participation Since Feb 2020

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture SNAP administrative data
Recent Changes in SNAP Benefit Amounts

- Thrifty Food Plan adjustment is permanent
- But loss of Covid-related boost will be significant
Looking Forward . . .

• Protecting progress

• Access barriers and administrative hurdles

• Limited eligibility for some groups
  • 3-month time limit
  • Non-citizens
  • Post-secondary students

• Nutrition assistance in Puerto Rico and other US territories